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Thank you for fielding feedback on the unfortunate MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT matter.

The contribution alone achieving the computerized advancements made possible by MSFT is self explanatory. We have better and quicker access to accomplishments from the performance this technology makes possible. Where is MSFT competition coming from when they try to stifle the industry that nurtured their existence? The cliché, "one hand washes the other and they both wash the face", is an understandable example of cooperative team-work led by a leader that has proven, continuous progress and profitable accomplishments. The world has benefitted from the more advanced society that computerization has brought about.

Why is competition interfering with lawsuits, and costs that will slow future progress. The future volume cost benefits that will reduce prices for increased availability is the American Way.

Whining and crying is not the answer. When the going gets tough, persistence toward improvement should be applied to try to catch up with the leader. That's what competition is, the motivator to offer a better mouse trap.

This greed, envy or ego should be put away because it has already gone too far. This is a race which encourages the leader to try harder, and, should also encourage the lesser to work harder and smarter. Who else has made the investment MSFT continues to plow back into the industry? Please bring this interruption to a halt by settling the battling waste of time and expense. It is long over-due this settlement be finalized and buried.

Thank you and good luck in bringing